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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 17, 2008, Applicant hereby provisionally elects without traverse the subject matter of Group I, directed to claims 1-16 and 21 for continued examination drawn to the compounds of formula

$$X-Q \qquad \qquad X^3$$

and a method of producing them.

The above-mentioned election is being made soley to comply with, and be fully responsive to, the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action. The right to file one or more divisional applications on non-elected subject matter is reserved.

Early and favorable examination is requested.